subpart. The amount of any such bond (or the total amount including strengthening bonds, if any) need not exceed \$250,000 for a manufacturer producing or receiving cigarettes in bond; need not exceed \$150,000 for a manufacturer producing or receiving cigars, smokeless tobacco, pipe tobacco, or roll-your-own tobacco in bond; and need not exceed \$250,000 for a manufacturer producing or receiving any combination of tobacco products in bond. The bond of a manufacturer of tobacco products shall in no case be less than \$1,000.

[T.D. ATF-232, 51 FR 28080, Aug. 5, 1986; T.D. ATF-243, 51 FR 43194, Dec. 1, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-289, 54 FR 48839, Nov. 27, 1989; T.D. ATF-424, 64 FR 71931, Dec. 22, 1999]

§ 40.134 Amount of blanket bond.

In the case of a blanket bond filed under the provisions of §40.67, where the total amount of individual bonds otherwise required for the factories under §40.133 does not exceed \$250,000, such blanket bond shall be not less than the total amount of such individual bonds. Where the total amount of such individual bonds required is in excess of \$250,000 but not in excess of \$500,000, the amount of the blanket bond shall be not less than \$250,000 plus 50 percent of such total amount which is in excess of \$250,000. Where the total amount of such individual bonds required is in excess of \$500,000 the amount of the blanket bond shall be not less than \$375,000 plus 25 percent of such total amount which is in excess of \$500,000.

 $(72~\rm Stat.~1421;~26~\rm U.S.C.~5711)$

§ 40.135 Strengthening bond.

Where the amount of any bond is no longer sufficient under the provisions of §40.133 or §40.134, the manufacturer shall immediately file a strengthening bond in an appropriate amount with the same surety as that on the bond already in effect, unless a superseding bond is filed pursuant to §40.136. Strengthening bonds will not be approved where any notation is made thereon which is intended, or which may be construed, as a release of any former bond, or as limiting the amount

of either bond to less than its full amount.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 40.136 Superseding bond.

A manufacturer of tobacco products shall immediately file a new bond to supersede his current bond when

- (a) The corporate surety on the current bond becomes insolvent,
- (b) The appropriate TTB officer approves a request from the surety on the current bond to terminate his liability under the bond,
- (c) Payment of any liability under a bond is made by the surety thereon,
- (d) The amount of the bond is no longer sufficient under the provisions of §40.133 or §40.134 and a strengthening bond has not been filed, or
- (e) The appropriate TTB officer considers such a superseding bond necessary for the protection of the revenue

Where a bond is not filed as required under the provisions of this section the manufacturer shall discontinue forthwith the operations to which such bond relates.

(72 Stat. 1421: 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§40.137 Extension of coverage of bond.

An extension of coverage of bond shall be manifested on Form 2105 by the manufacturer of tobacco products and by the surety on the bond with the same formality and proof of authority as required for the execution of the bond.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 40.138 Approval of bond and extension of coverage of bond.

No person shall commence operations under any bond, nor extend his operations, until he receives from the appropriate TTB officer notice of his approval of the bond or of an appropriate extension of coverage of the bond required under this part.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 40.139 Termination of bond.

Any bond required by this part may be terminated by the appropriate TTB officer as to liability for future operations (a) pursuant to application by

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the surety as provided in the bond, (b) on approval of a superseding bond, or (c) when operations by the manufacturer are permanently discontinued in accordance with subpart J. After a bond is terminated the surety shall remain bound with respect to any liability for unpaid taxes, penalties, and interest, not in excess of the amount of the bond, incurred by the manufacturer prior to the termination date.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

[T.D. 6840, 30 FR 9311, July 27, 1965. Redesignated at 40 FR 16835, Apr. 15, 1975]

§ 40.140 Release of pledged securities.

Securities of the United States pledged and deposited as provided in § 40.132 shall be released only in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225. Such securities will not be released by the appropriate TTB officer until liability under the bond for which they were pledged has been terminated. When the appropriate TTB officer is satisfied that they may be released, he shall fix the date or dates on which a part or all of such securities may be released. At any time prior to the release of such securities, the appropriate TTB officer may extend the date of release for such additional length of time as he deems necessary.

(61 Stat. 650, 72 Stat. 1421; 31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303, 26 U.S.C. 5711)

Subpart H—Operations by Manufacturers

DETERMINATION AND PAYMENT OF TAXES ON TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

§ 40.161 Determination of tax and method of payment.

Except for removals in bond and transfers in bond, as authorized by law, the taxes imposed on tobacco products by section 5701, I.R.C., shall be determined at the time of removal of such products and paid on the basis of a return, in accordance with the provisions of this part.

(72 Stat. 1417; 26 U.S.C. 5703)

[T.D. 6929, 32 FR 13866, Oct. 5, 1967. Redesignated at 40 FR 16835, Apr. 15, 1975; T.D. ATF-232, 51 FR 28081, Aug. 5, 1986; T.D. ATF-243, 51 FR 43194, Dec. 1, 1986]

§ 40.162 Semimonthly tax return.

Every manufacturer of tobacco products shall file, for each of his factories, a semimonthly tax return on Form 5000.24 for each return period, including any period during which a manufacturer begins or discontinues business. The return shall be filed with TTB in accordance with the instructions on the form. The manufacturer shall file the return at the time specified in §40.165 regardless of whether tobacco products are removed or whether tax is due for that particular return period. However, when the manufacturer requests by letter and the appropriate TTB officer grants specific authorization, the manufacturer need not during the term of such authorization file a tax return for which tax is not due or pavable.

[T.D. ATF-232, 51 FR 35353, Oct. 3, 1986; T.D.
ATF-243, 51 FR 43194, Dec. 1, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-251, 52 FR 19339, May 22, 1987

§40.163 Semimonthly tax return periods.

Except as provided in section 40.164, the periods to be covered by semimonthly tax returns shall be from the 1st day of each month through the 15th day of that month and from the 16th day of each month through the last day of that month.

[T.D. ATF-365, 60 FR 33675, June 28, 1995]

§ 40.164 Special rule for taxes due for the month of September (effective after December 31, 1994).

(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, the second semimonthly period for the month of September shall be divided into two payment periods, from the 16th day through the 26th day, and from the 27th day through the 30th day. The manufacturer shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 16–26, no later than September 29. The manufacturer shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 27–30, no later than October 14.

(2) Taxpayment not by electronic fund transfer. In the case of taxes not required to be remitted by electronic fund transfer as prescribed by §40.165a,